

PRIORITIZATION OF NETWORKS FOR PREFERRED GROUPS

Abstract of the Disclosure

The present invention provides prioritization of networks for preferred groups, which decreases network delays when a person from a preferred group is using networks. Generally, the present invention determines if network information is assigned to a preferred group, and configures a network to assign a higher priority to the network information when the network information is assigned to a preferred group, the higher priority being relative to network information not assigned to one or more preferred groups. There are a variety of techniques that can be used to assign higher priority to network information, such as using any of the following exemplary techniques: marking network information as being assigned to a preferred group; preferentially handling, transmitting and receiving network information assigned to a preferred group; determining faster routes for network information assigned to a preferred group; and assigning additional resources to applications that handle network information assigned to a preferred group.